

Lincoln, Nebraska
November 12, 2004

**COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES**

The Community Corrections Council (Council) met Friday, November 12, 2004, at 9:00 a.m., at the Embassy Suites Hotel, Lincoln, Nebraska. The meeting was open to the public and was preceded by advance publicized notice in the Lincoln Journal Star.

Members present:

Dr. Scot L. Adams
Edward C. Birkel
Senator Kermit A. Brashear, Chair
William Burgess
Catherine Cook
Allen Curtis
The Honorable Karen B. Flowers
Dr. Aileen Gruendel
Julie Hippen
The Honorable John P. Icenogle
Joe Kelly
Robert Lindemeier
Jim McKenzie
Senator John Synowiecki
Kenneth J. Vampola

Council staff present:

Linda Krutz, Chief
Julie A. Okray
Julie L. Rogers

Others Present:

Robert Bell
Jim Cole
Kristin Crawford
Nate Jenkins
Howard Kensinger
Steve King
John Krejci
Mike Overton
Jim Pieper
Simera Reynolds
Frank Velinski
Janice Walker

Members absent:

Harold W. Clarke
Frank Goodroe

CALL TO ORDER, WELCOME & OVERVIEW

Chairperson Brashear called the Council meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and gave an overview of the meeting. Attendance is indicated above.

PROPOSED 2005 MEETING DATES

The proposed 2005 meeting dates were adopted by consensus.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the October 08, 2004, meeting stood approved as presented.

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS FEE REPORT SUMMARY

Howard Kensinger of the Legislative Fiscal Office presented and explained the Community Corrections Fee Report (Fee Report). The collection of fees have "plateaued" and will continue to do so, therefore the original model will no longer be utilized or outlined on the Fee Report.

TARGET POPULATION REPORT

The Target Population Report was presented by Mike Overton of the Crime Commission. It was requested that the offender population of each probation district be broken down for 2004 and 2003. This information will be presented to the Council at either the January or February meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairperson Brashear thanked Council member John Icenogle for acting as Chairperson in Brashear's absence at the October 8, 2004 meeting.

Council member Allen Curtis, Crime Commission Executive Director, announced his retirement. He is expected to be with the Council through the end of the year.

Kristin Crawford, a liaison from the Governor's Policy Research Office, is leaving. Robert Bell will replace her as liaison to the Council.

TIMELINE

The Timeline was approved as presented. It was noted that the Council would propose the 2005 Timeline at the December 17, 2004 meeting, and it will be part of the continuing distribution of materials.

PENDING PROPOSALS

Pending proposals will stand as previously presented without any changes or additions.

OFFENDER TREATMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE UPDATE

Council member Dr. Scot Adams gave a summary of the work the Offender Treatment Advisory Committee had completed to date. The Felony Offender Drug Treatment Model Draft (Model) was explained. It was discussed and questioned by the Council. Changes will be made to the Model and discussed at the December meeting.

The Council recessed at 10:30 a.m. and reconvened at 10:45 a.m.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE WORK TEAM DECISION

The Council discussed the Substance Abuse Work Team's recommendations and continued work.

Council member Julie Hippen moved to receive and recognize the report of the Substance Abuse Task Force Work Team and determine to make the Work Team a sub-committee or task force of the Community Corrections Council to continue its work under the

auspices of the Council and report to the Council with the Council retaining authority over its final decisions. The motion was seconded by Council member Catherine Cook and approved.

REVIEW OF DRAFT LEGISLATION

Draft legislation within the Community Corrections Plan (Plan) draft was reviewed and discussed.

Council member Ken Vampola moved to amend to make the proposed new member of the Council from Health & Human Services a voting member. The motion was seconded by Council member Bill Burgess and failed.

Council Member Ken Vampola moved to propose legislation for the purposes of research, preparation and presentation to Council members at the next meeting would include

- the addition of a nonvoting council member from HHS,*
- LB 46 "clean-up" language,*
- the assurance that risk and needs assessments are validated,*
- the addition of a council duty to study substance abuse treatment for offenders,*
- a change to forfeiture provisions,*
- the addition of an intensive drug treatment component to the Work Ethic Camp, and*
- a provision for split sentencing,*

as discussed. The motion was seconded by Council member Scott Adams and approved.

Suggested changes will be made to the Plan.

CONCLUDING REMARKS & ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:09 p.m.

The next meeting of the Council will be held Friday, December 17, 2004, 9:00 a.m., at Embassy Suites in Lincoln, Nebraska.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie A. Okray